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THE OLDEST FRONTIERSMAN.

Uncle Jim Baker, who lives on Snake river, Wyoming territory, has a history not equaled by any living man. Since the year 1838 he has roamed the far west, always on the frontier. He is widely and justly celebrated, and his experience and exploits on the plains and in the mountains will be vividly recollected by the "oldest inhabitants" who were tenderfeet in the country when he was an apparently old man. He is between 60 and 70 years of age now, and is in appearance the typical western man, although showing the weight of years. His long curly hair which was once dark brown, is now streaked with gray, while his heavy mustache and goatee are almost white. Six feet tall, he is straight as an arrow and steps with the sprightliness of a young man.

When a small boy, Jim ran away from home, and indentured himself to the service of the American Fur company. He served his time out with them, and then went to trapping beaver for himself. He frequently made \$40 a day. He followed this avocation for eight years, and then took part in the Mormon war.

About this time Jim relates how the forty men in his company got snowed in, in what is now the Gunnison county, and over half the number died of starvation. The mules were killed and eaten, but Jim says they were so poor that there was not flesh enough on one of them to make a meal for one man. The remnants of the band finally got out of the country into Utah.

After the war he spent a number of years in trapping. He then identified himself with the Shoshones, and after a few years became their chief, leading them in many battles against the Blackfeet, who were mortal enemies of the Shoshones. For three years he never saw a white man. One day he became angry while in council with the sub-chiefs, and killed three of them outright. He then found it too warm for him, and he attempted to make his escape out of the country. It is said by Jim's friends that the tribe followed him for seven hundred miles, and in the fight he killed scores of them, being wounded several times himself. Since that time he has never found it advisable to go back to them.

"Did you marry into the tribe?" was asked.

"Yes, I always had a squaw; sometimes two or three," he said nonchalantly.

Jim is badly used up, owing to the number of times he has been shot and accidents that have occurred to him. A portion of the right hand is entirely gone. He lost it while shooting at a target with the late Captain Jack of the Utes, in 1867. Jim was then interpreter at the White river agency, while Maj. Oakes, now of Denver, was agent. When Jim fired his first shot the carbine exploded, tearing off a piece of the hand, breaking a jaw, and nearly killing him. He was taken up for dead, but after many months of suffering he recovered. He lived with the Utes for several years afterwards.

In Jim's time the Indian tribes living farther to the west were little acquainted with firearms. In fact some tribes never saw a gun. The older bucks of the Shoshones remember well when they first laid eyes upon them. Jim relates the story as told him by one of the Shoshone chiefs. One day a young buck was prowling about the country, when he heard the unusual noise of the report of firearms, crawling through a clump of

bushes, and gazing into the space beyond he beheld a party of white men shooting at a target. The sight paralyzed him with fear. He had never looked upon a white man before, and he immediately came to the conclusion that the men before him were supernatural beings who had just dropped down from above, like a flock of ducks. He hastened back to the village and informed his chiefs of what he had seen—beings who could produce thunder at their will. Then several of the foremost of the tribe went the scene and, sure enough, what the young buck had told them proved to be true. A few days afterward the Indians came into the camp of the white men under a flag of truce, when the use and the manner of handling the firearms were explained to them. It came very near proving the destruction of the whole party, for the redskins coveted the guns to such a degree that several attempts were made to massacre the owners to gain possession of them.

In Jim's day he was noted as one of the wildest of scouts. He was never known to lose his caution, and an instance cannot be cited where the Indians ever got the best of him.

The Salmon Question.

Some claim that according to the act of admission of Oregon as a state the Columbia was placed under control of the government alone—which is not true—and that Oregon and Washington have no right to legislate as to the taking of fish from its waters—which is a question. The up-river men complain that the July run of salmon, which is usually a heavy one, down the river does not reach their stations in time to give them a catch before the season closes, and if anyone is justified in fishing over the limit they are the ones to do it, but will not think of being the first to ignore the law. We do not believe the law will be broken, and that the great row which has now been kicked up on paper is idle talk. There is one thing certain, and that is unless cannerymen take more interest in establishing hatching establishments the members of the legislature will become prejudiced against them and enact a law allowing fishing on each alternate year only, or some such obnoxious conclusion. It is a satisfaction to know that there are a few cannerymen who take an interest in the hatchery business and have already spent much time and money in carrying it on, but there are avaricious shysters in the business who are delighted to see the work go on, but will lend neither moral nor financial support. Mr. Warren, of the Cascades cannery, is preparing to establish a hatchery near his establishment and carry it on at his own private expense. Had we a few more intelligent, enterprising men on the river, there would be no further trouble. There would be no more ding-dong notices sent out by the O. & W. Fish Propagating Co. to those interested begging them to take a little interest in protecting their own interests. One of the square-dealing cannerymen remarked to us that there were certain individuals who would rather leave twenty-dollar pieces to their children than a river well stocked with salmon, notwithstanding the rights of the people.—Portland Commercial Reporter.

That Unfortunate Bar.

The S. F. Commercial News is still badly scared about Columbia gateway. In its annual review it tells of fifty-one disasters on this coast and goes out of its way to

remark: "The unfortunate bar at the mouth of the Columbia was responsible for not a few of those whose career ended in wreck." If the News man will take the trouble to look over the list he will find but three disasters written against Columbia gateway, while Golden Gate is a perfect cemetery of shipping according to its own statements. It would be well to stick to facts, especially when they are printed in the same column with assertions. Columbia gateway has no terrors to competent mariners, and within the past few weeks a number of vessels have sailed in over the "unfortunate bar" without the aid of a tug. Assertions without proof will no longer be accepted as conclusive by the ship-owners and masters of the world.—Portland Commercial Reporter.

The General Stone who is mentioned in the telegraphic reports in connection with Egyptian affairs is the same General Charles P. Stone who was in command on the upper Potomac at the time of the disaster at Ball's Bluff, where Senator Baker of Oregon was killed. It was in obedience to his orders that Baker made the advance that resulted so disastrously. General Stone was held for a considerable time in prison for alleged misconduct on that occasion. On being released he accepted a high position in the military service of the khedive of Egypt, where he has ever since remained.

Statistics in regard to the number and size of the farms in the United States show that the tendency to break up large farms into smaller ones has greatly increased during the last ten years. The large plantations of the south are being cut up into small farms, and many of the extensive tracts in the northwest which have been cultivated by a few individuals have been divided. In 1880 there were 4,008,007 farms in the United States, an increase of 51 per cent. over 1870.

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